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PRECEDE NORTON, VA. DAY

ROME, GA., MARCH 14 (AP)-U2 PILOT FRANCIS GARY POWERS REJOINED HIS WIFE HERE TODAY AND THEY LEFT IMMEDIATELY FOR HER MOTHER'S HOME IN MILLEDGEVILLE, GA.

POWERS CAME TO ROME FROM NORTON, VA., MRS. POWERS DROVE TO ROME WITH TWO RELATIVES.

THE COUPLE EMBRACED, THEN HURRIED AWAY IN THEIR CAR.

POWERS WAS RELEASED FROM A RUSSIAN PRISON LAST MONTH IN A DRAMATIC EXCHANGE FOR A SOVIET SPY. POWERS WAS SERVING A 10-YEAR SENTENCE ON SPY CHARGES. HE WAS CONVICTED AFTER HIS HIGH-ALTITUDE OBSERVATION PLANE WENT DOWN IN RUSSIA MAY 17, 1960.

THE PILOT SAID TODAY HE AND HIS WIFE PLANNED TO STAY IN MILLEDGEVILLE FOR AN INDEFINITE PERIOD.

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